

Lessons Of The Bond Election

On the basis of unofficial returns from yesterday's bond election, the Auditorium bonds lost by a margin of \$3 votes.

Officially confirms the indicated outcome, it will mark the second defeat for an Auditorium project in two years.

The fact that the bonds almost carried over adverse circumstances means a great deal for the future.

It is a growing awareness of Charlotte's needs and potentialities, a rising demand for a modern auditorium.

However, the main lesson of the campaign is that we must have the planners and the leaders, as well as a public that desires to play a larger part in the city's affairs.

The people were asked to register and vote before all the questions were asked and answered. The general public was not given the opportunity to be heard.

Underemphasis On Sports Is Evil

OVER-EMPHASIS on sports, particularly football, is a problem that still worries educators, preachers, editorial writers and parents.

It would take many paragraphs to describe all the ways in which athletics have contributed to the physical, intellectual and spiritual development of the young man.

This is a familiar story and no one needs to be reminded only too often of the role of his coaches, teachers and school boards for an emphasis on sports which has added immeasurably to the health, the pleasure, the moral fiber and the democratic qualities of the young generation.

has done for our boys and his friends, and that realization came when we read Tom Lynch's story in The News today which tells of a tragic case of under-emphasis on sports in Charlotte.

We can add anything to Tom's story. The facts which he relates simply require no emphasis to make it clear that Charlotte suffers one of its major social losses through the failure to provide adequate athletic facilities and programs for the city's two Negro high schools.

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'American Way' In The South

THE time is now for complete abolition of racial segregation and enactment of federal anti-lynching, anti-poll tax and fair employment practice laws.

Although the committee disclaims any intention of singling out the South for attack, it is obvious that the report strikes in full force at the racial system of the section.

In their zeal to achieve full realization of the democratic ideals of freedom and equality, the members of the Committee neglect other concepts less prominently identified with the democratic principle.

If the traditions and folkways of the South have resulted in the enactment of laws which are inconsistent with the democratic ideal, those laws should be revised until such compliance so demands.

formed through the years from prejudiced and distorted ideas of the sanctity of human dignity, that opinion will be changed only by a process of education and moral indoctrination extending through another period of years.

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From The Twin City Sentinel

Another 'Crash' Season?

THERE HAVE BEEN a few major air crashes in recent months. One important reason for this perhaps has had to do with better flying conditions during the Spring and Summer seasons.

The weather may have had nothing to do with the crash of the big United Airliner Tuesday, Erik Cayton, Utah, last week which claimed the lives of 43 persons aboard.

But as aviation advances the whole air transport industry has reason to give more and more attention to the problem of overloading or adjusting itself to unfavorable weather conditions.

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Economy is described as denying yourself of a necessity today that you may buy a luxury tomorrow.



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The reasons why the men do not work in the mines are many. One is the fact that the coal is so scarce that it is necessary to have a complete set of habits, from the order of the war and now in the current situation.

On the outside it depends the future of this country which for more than a century had economic and military domination over the world.

There have money over and above the cost of the rationed goods they buy the money they do not ever had before.

Then there is the strong persuasion of habit. In Sturmer, the miners have been working for three or three days a week to go into the country with their families and to get back from the country.

THE House Committee on Un-American Activities is making a search into the lives of the people who are active in the industry.

It is not the right to investigate is not the right to scatter gold, nor the right to fish, and one asks why the right to investigate is not the right to scatter gold.

The Committee's most important contribution to the public mind is not the investigation, but the report.

There is no governmental right in America which does not have some limitation. There is even a traditional cadence to the manner in which the government operates.

And on the question of keeping the public informed, it is not without significance that the FBI was able to carry out its duties in the past.

Without this element of proof of danger to the public, the inquiry into what people think, and a tremendous pressure instrument

However, inertia in the War West, plus the fact that Senator Howard McGrath of Rhode Island, means that the City of Broklyn, Love will get two political conventions next Summer.

Unspoken Hollywood Lines Not all the dramatic dialogue of the Hollywood un-American Activities Committee is spoken.

On the day screen-lover Robert Taylor testified, head-bowed, before the House Committee on Un-American Activities.

Did you see the terrific job Menjou (actor Adolph Menjou) did in the picture 'The Sign of the Cross'?

However, Chairman Thomas is not the only congressman who public interesting backstage remarks.

People's Platform

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Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round: Rising Prices Argue For Special Session

WASHINGTON When President Truman called in Capitol Hill leaders to discuss the question of a special session of Congress, one of his arguments was supplied by a Commerce Department chart.

Giving his "classroom" of senators and congressmen a lecture on living costs, Truman pointed to the "price line" which he said was "the most dramatic, exports showed a definite decline.

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All these questions would be answered at his next meeting with the Congressional leaders, the President promised, at which time he would have a specific program to recommend to Congress.

No Sightseeing Congressmen

OP Congressman August Anderson of Red Wing, Minn., in charge of an agriculture subcommittee touring Italy, gave the House members a lesson in sightseeing.

On the way to Rome, however, they were blown to Nice by a hurricane and forced to make an emergency landing in a 60-mile stretch of the coast.

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Two Conventions At Philadelphia

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Meanwhile, Philadelphia came forward with some attractive offers. Holding the Democratic convention in the name of the right they have the Republican Party would cut down expenses.

Heather, however, was still skeptical. He figured that with the Democrats sure to nominate Truman, the convention would be minus news for the city and television would show up the empty seats in the convention hall.